



**PURCHASING ITEM
FOR
COUNCIL AGENDA**

1. Agenda Item Number:

79

2. Council Meeting Date:

September 11, 2014

TO: MAYOR & COUNCIL

3. Date Prepared: August 13, 2014

THROUGH: CITY MANAGER

4. Requesting Department: Police

5. SUBJECT: Purchase of mobile communication services

6. RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval to purchase mobile communication services from Verizon Wireless utilizing the State of Arizona/Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) contract #ADSP013-034099 in an amount not to exceed \$151,029.00.

7. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The Mobile Data Center is the centerpiece of all communication infrastructure police officers use in the field to perform their daily functions. These units must stay in contact with the central dispatch center via industry standard encrypted wireless communication technologies. The importance of these units properly working and communicating is critical enough that a failed MDC, in most cases, means the vehicle is pulled from service because of the significant threat to officer safety.

The communication between the mobile units and the station provide the officer in the field with capabilities for:

- Computer-aided dispatch features.
- Communication with dispatchers, emergency calltakers, and supervisors.
- Access to many law enforcement information systems.
- Ability to write reports and input RMS data.
- Access to City GIS information and maps.
- Automatic vehicle location systems for emergency response.
- Emergency notification systems for officer in trouble/backup assistance situations.

8. EVALUATION PROCESS: WSCA was formed in 1993 by state purchasing directors from fifteen western states with the purpose of establishing a means for participating states to join together in cooperative multi-state contracting to achieve cost-effective, efficient acquisitions of products and services and to take advantage of possible large quantity volume discounts. The State of Arizona has adopted the use of this contract, which in turn allows the City to use it. Police has determined that Verizon Wireless provides the best wireless service for their critical communication needs.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Mobile communications funds are available in 101-2060-5419 (General Fund-Communications-Other Repair and Maintenance).

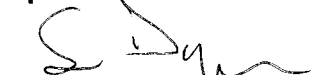
10. PROPOSED MOTION: Move to approve the purchase mobile communication services from Verizon Wireless utilizing the State of Arizona/Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) contract #ADSP013-034099 in an amount not to exceed \$151,029.00.

APPROVALS

11. Requesting Department


Bill Edel, Police Technology Manager

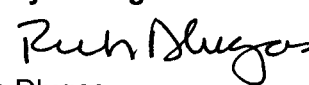
12. Department Head


Sean E. Duggan, Chief of Police

13. Procurement Officer


Carolee Stees, CPPB

14. City Manager


Rich Dlugas